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PATENT
Docket No. GC507-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of)
Becker et al.)
Serial No. 09/215,095)
Filed: 12/18/98)
For: Matrix Granule)

Group Art Unit: 1631
Examiner: M. Borin

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REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
Box RCE
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F. R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Other: Copy of Information Disclosure Statement, and Form 1449, previously submitted on February 20, 2001, but not considered by the Examiner.

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F. R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048.
- i. X RCE fee required under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. X Extension of time fee (37 C.F. R. § 1.136 § 1.17)
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: 7/30/01

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